

**Jessie White**

---

**From:** Jim Scholl [jim\_scholl@dot.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 06, 2007 2:24 PM  
**To:** 'Jessie White'  
**Subject:** FW: Support for Lynn Canal Highway

Please log in.

---

**From:** Mark Mickelson [mailto:mark\_mickelson@labor.state.ak.us]  
**Sent:** Friday, April 06, 2007 2:10 PM  
**To:** DOT\_STIP@dot.state.ak.us  
**Subject:** Support for Lynn Canal Highway

As a 32 year Alaskan resident (26 of them in Juneau) I strongly advocate for full funding for the Lynn Canal Highway project. The road access is certainly the most cost beneficial in the long run, with lower costs for operation and maintenance than ferries, and will clearly open access to more Alaskans to their capitol city. The costs will be lower for both government, and the citizens/consumers themselves. It will also have a very positive impact on Juneau businesses, by reducing shipping costs, for freight in and products out, and a boost to non-Tour ship tourism (independent travelers.) With current technology the road can certainly be made safe and viable. Juneau is very remote, inaccessible and vulnerable to both natural and man-made disasters. Therefore the road can also provide a very important access route (a third option) in case of emergencies. The road corridor will open up more recreational opportunities for all Alaskans, and not just an elite few. It will not despoil extensive areas of wilderness forever, as many environmentalists scream.

Please build the road; it is clearly the right thing to do...

Thank you for your consideration;

Mark Mickelson